

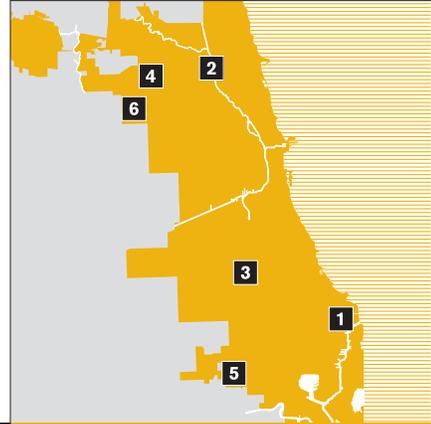
The Chicago Park District's Nature Gardens display showy native species and native cultivars that are both beautiful and attractive to wildlife including birds, small mammals, butterflies, moths, and other insects. Native species are well adapted to the Illinois climate and as a result require little watering beyond establishment or use of pesticides. The gardens display plants for shady woodland areas, wet areas, and open sunny locations. The plantings are arranged in a garden-like way rather than the wild mixture that is usually seen in a natural setting, which may not be appropriate in a home landscape or small yard. Plants are marked with labels for easy identification.

Each tree, shrub, or perennial in the garden plays a specific role in providing food or shelter for wildlife. Some plants play multiple roles in providing these functions for several life stages of the same species. For example: milkweed leaves provides food for caterpillars and flower nectar for adult butterflies. Other plants provide food for

many species. For example, wild cherry leaves provide for caterpillars, and the summer fruit provides food for birds.

- 1** Bessemer Park Nature and Wildlife Garden (8930 S Muskegon Ave)
- 2** Horner Park Nature and Wildlife Garden (2741 W Montrose Ave)
- 3** Ogden Park Portage Park Nature and Wildlife Garden (6500 S Racine Ave)
- 4** Portage Park Nature and Wildlife Garden (4100 N Long Ave)
- 5** Prospect Gardens Park Nature and Wildlife Garden (10940 S Prospect Ave)
- 6** Rutherford Sayre Park Nature and Wildlife Garden (6871 W Belden Ave)

NATURE GARDENS



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HABITATS
1 2 3 4
5 6 Naturalistic Planting

DIRECTIONS See parks addresses listed above.

